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Cc: Exemption 6 Jablonowski, Eugene; Pope, Janet; Exemption 6 Thurlow, Timothy; "townofpines@comcast.net"

Subject: Re: Pines Area of Investigation - Draft Feasibility Study Files

**Date:** Thursday, February 14, 2013 1:44:08 PM

## George:

Thank you for your response regarding the Feasibilty Study (FS). You raise an important concern about how the community and its Town Council may be involved in the process. Such involvement is valued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. As part of a settlement agreement EPA required a Technical Assistance Plan (TAP) between the potentially responsible parties and People in Need of Environmental Safety (PINES). Under the agreement PINES is funded and empowered to hire an independent technical advisor to review documents, including the FS, and involve the community. The intent of the TAP is that PINES will work with the community, including the Town Council, to ensure they understand the process (including documents like the FS) and inform EPA of any concerns they may have. Your message raises concern for EPA that this is not happening as effectively as it should. Rather than having the Town Council pay for another independent consultant to review documents, you may want to consider whether the PINES technical review could addresses your concerns. Please let me know whether you think PINES is actively involving the Town Council and the community, or if they are engaging you but you are looking for something more. If PINES is not engaging the Council I can contact PINES to make sure your concerns are addressed. If you would like you can contact them directly through PINES President Paul Kysel at Exemption 6

Independent of the TAP, EPA will be reaching out to the Council and community throughout the cleanup decision process. EPA is committed to solicit and consider public comments on a proposed cleanup plan before any final decision is made. So there will be opportunities outside of the TAP to provide input to the Agency on the decisions. If you would like to discuss this further please let me know.

Thank you.

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Date: 02/13/2013 06:05 PM

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Good Evening Matt,

Thank you for your attention on getting us access to the Draft Feasibility Study. It's a very lengthy document. I understand this is a draft document. Therefore, I also understand your confidentiality concerns. However, I do have several questions.

How are we to interpret this document with out some independant expert opinion? With your okay, I would like to pursue this.

Will the Town be allowed any input in this document before it is finalized?

The Town has a vested intrest in the outcome of this process. Why aren't we part of it? The residents of our Town are the "most affected" and Town Government should be part of this process. At our last town meeting we discussed an issue with you that was directly due to no communication, or consultation, with our town.

I await your response as I know time is short.

Thank you in advance for your time.

Best Reguards,

George Adey

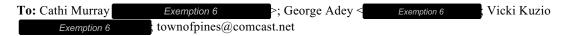
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Take good care of Mother Earth.

We only borrow her from our Grandchildren.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 12:39 PM

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Good afternoon:

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you at the Town Council meeting on February 6, 2013. As you requested, the draft Feasibility Study report is being made available to you by the potentially responsible parties. The FS report is draft and will be under review until after our next meeting. Because the document is draft and will likely change after our review we would appreciate your cooperation in limiting its distribution to council members. I look forward to our next meeting on March 6, 2013.

Thank you.

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